Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

November 2014

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey during the week covering November 9th to 15th, 2014, there were 567,600 persons employed in Saskatchewan. This is a decrease of 8,600 from October 2014 but 15,300 more than the number employed in November 2013.

Agricultural employment was 42,200 persons in November 2014, down 5,600 from the October 2014 level but unchanged from November. Non-agricultural employment was 525,400 persons in November 2014. This is a decrease of 3,000 from the October 2014 non-agriculture employment level of 528,400 but 15,300 more than November 2013.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for November 2014 was 3.2 percent. This is an increase of 0.3 percentage points from the October 2014 rate of 2.9 percent but 0.6 percentage points lower than the November 2013 level of 3.8 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 7,100 to 586,200 persons in November 2014 from 593,300 persons in October 2014. This is 11,900 more than the November 2013 labour force of 574,300 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.9 percentage points to 69.2 percent in November 2014 from 70.1 percent in October 2014. The November 2013 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 68.9 percent.

There were 18,600 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during November 2014. This is an increase of 1,500 from October 2014 but is 3,300 less than the number unemployed in November 2013.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 572,100 persons employed in Saskatchewan in November 2014, down 3,900 from the October 2014 level of 576,000 but is up 15,200 from the November 2013 employment level of 556,900 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for November 2014 was 3.4 percent. This is a decrease of 0.1 percentage points from the October 2014 rate of 3.5 percent but 0.7 percentage points lower than the November 2013 rate of 4.1 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 58,400 persons in November 2014 to 17,961,700 persons from 18,020,100 persons in October 2014. In November 2013, there were 17,800,000 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate decreased 0.2 percentage points in November 2014 to 6.2 percent from the October 2014 level of 6.0 percent. In November 2013, Canada's unemployment rate was 6.4 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 6.6 percent in November 2014. This is 0.1 percentage points higher than October 2014 but 0.3 percentage points higher/lower than the November 2013 level of 6.9 percent.

TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	19,141.5	19,171.4	19,026.7	-29.9	114.8
Employed ('000)	17,961.7	18,020.1	17,800.0	-58.4	161.7
Full-Time ('000)	14,417.0	14,526.9	14,326.0	-109.9	91.0
Part-Time ('000)	3,544.7	3,493.2	3,474.0	51.5	70.7
Unemployed ('000)	1,179.8	1,151.2	1,226.7	28.6	-46.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	6.0	6.4	0.2	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	6.6	6.5	6.9	0.1	-0.3
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.8	66.0	-0.2	-0.4
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	586.2	593.3	574.3	-7.1	11.9
Employed ('000)	567.6	576.2	552.3	-8.6	15.3
Full-Time ('000)	466.2	475.8	455.1	-9.6	11.1
Part-Time ('000)	101.4	100.4	97.3	1.0	4.1
Unemployed ('000)	18.6	17.1	21.9	1.5	-3.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.2	2.9	3.8	0.3	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	3.4	3.5	4.1	-0.1	-0.7
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	70.1	68.9	-0.9	0.3
ALBERTA					
Labour Force ('000)	2,399.0	2,392.8	2,351.3	6.2	47.7
Employed ('000)	2,302.2	2,293.3	2,250.0	8.9	52.2
Full-Time ('000)	1,902.9	1,902.6	1,871.4	0.3	31.5
Part-Time ('000)	399.3	390.7	378.6	8.6	20.7
Unemployed ('000)	96.8	99.5	101.3	-2.7	-4.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	4.2	4.3	-0.2	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.5	4.5	4.7	0.0	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	72.4	72.3	73.1	0.1	-0.7
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	672.6	674.7	664.1	-2.1	8.5
Employed ('000)	641.2	643.2	629.1	-2.0	12.1
Full-Time ('000)	519.1	521.4	502.7	-2.3	16.4
Part-Time ('000)	122.0	121.8	126.4	0.2	-4.4
Unemployed ('000)	31.5	31.5	35.0	0.0	-3.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.7	4.7	5.3	0.0	-0.6
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	5.1	5.0	5.6	0.1	-0.5
Participation Rate (%)	67.9	68.2	67.9	-0.3	0.0

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*
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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	586.2	593.3	574.3	-7.1	11.9
Male	314.8	321.0	311.6	-6.2	3.2
Female	271.4	272.2	262.7	-0.8	8.7
15-24 Years of Age	87.1	90.3	88.8	-3.2	-1.7
25+ Years of age	499.1	503.0	485.4	-3.9	13.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	567.6	576.2	552.3	-8.6	15.3
Male	304.8	311.9	299.5	-7.1	5.3
Female	262.8	264.3	252.8	-1.5	10.0
15-24 Years of Age	81.1	85.3	83.2	-4.2	-2.1
25+ Years of age	486.5	490.8	469.2	-4.3	17.3
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	18.6	17.1	21.9	1.5	-3.3
Male	10.0	9.2	12.1	0.8	-2.1
Female	8.6	7.9	9.9	0.7	-1.3
15-24 Years of Age	6.1	5.0	5.7	1.1	0.4
25+ Years of age	12.5	12.1	16.3	0.4	-3.8
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	3.2	2.9	3.8	0.3	-0.6
Male	3.2	2.9	3.9	0.3	-0.7
Female	3.2	2.9	3.8	0.3	-0.6
15-24 Years of Age	7.0	5.5	6.4	1.5	0.6
25+ Years of age	2.5	2.4	3.4	0.1	-0.9
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	69.2	70.1	68.9	-0.9	0.3
Male	74.3	75.8	75.0	-1.5	-0.7
Female	64.2	64.4	62.9	-0.2	1.3
15-24 Years of Age	64.1	66.4	64.9	-2.3	-0.8
25+ Years of age	70.2	70.8	69.7	-0.6	0.5

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
INDUSTRY ('000)					
Agriculture	42.2	47.8	42.2	-5.6	0.0
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	28.8	27.8	24.1	1.0	4.7
Utilities	6.0	6.7	6.3	-0.7	-0.3
Construction	52.0	57.2	48.5	-5.2	3.5
Manufacturing	28.1	28.6	28.2	-0.5	-0.1
Trade	86.8	83.8	81.1	3.0	5.7
Transportation and Warehousing	25.2	26.1	31.3	-0.9	-6.1
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	33.5	32.9	28.6	0.6	4.9
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	27.1	29.1	27.9	-2.0	-0.8
Business, Building and Other Support Services	15.2	13.8	12.5	1.4	2.7
Educational Services	47.1	45.0	48.3	2.1	-1.2
Health Care and Social Assistance	69.8	70.7	71.5	-0.9	-1.7
Information, Culture and Recreation	15.6	15.4	20.3	0.2	-4.7
Accommodation and Food Services	33.1	35.1	31.9	-2.0	1.2
Other Services	26.5	24.9	21.7	1.6	4.8
Public Administration	30.7	31.3	28.1	-0.6	2.6
Total	567.6	576.2	552.3	-8.6	15.3
HOURS OF WORK ('000)					
Full-Time	466.2	475.8	455.1	-9.6	11.1
Part-Time	101.4	100.4	97.3	1.0	4.1
CLASS OF WORKER ('000)					
Employees	456.4	463.0	447.7	-6.6	8.7
Public Sector	137.9	137.0	137.3	0.9	0.6
Private Sector	318.5	326.0	310.4	-7.5	8.1
Self-Employed	111.2	113.1	104.7	-1.9	6.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*
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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,961.7	18,020.1	17,800.0	-58.4	161.7
Newfoundland & Labrador	227.6	228.1	227.8	-0.5	-0.2
Prince Edward Island	72.7	75.6	71.3	-2.9	1.4
Nova Scotia	446.7	453.2	447.5	-6.5	-0.8
New Brunswick	348.8	353.4	351.4	-4.6	-2.6
Quebec	4,040.7	4,049.5	4,057.3	-8.8	-16.6
Ontario	6,970.1	6,999.0	6,916.9	-28.9	53.2
Manitoba	641.2	643.2	629.1	-2.0	12.1
Saskatchewan	567.6	576.2	552.3	-8.6	15.3
Alberta	2,302.2	2,293.3	2,250.0	8.9	52.2
British Columbia	2,344.1	2,348.6	2,296.4	-4.5	47.7
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	6.2	6.0	6.4	0.2	-0.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	10.8	10.7	12.4	0.1	-1.6
Prince Edward Island	11.8	7.9	13.0	3.9	-1.2
Nova Scotia	8.3	7.9	8.3	0.4	0.0
New Brunswick	9.2	8.6	9.2	0.6	0.0
Quebec	7.1	6.9	6.8	0.2	0.3
Ontario	6.3	6.1	6.7	0.2	-0.4
Manitoba	4.7	4.7	5.3	0.0	-0.6
Saskatchewan	3.2	2.9	3.8	0.3	-0.6
Alberta	4.0	4.2	4.3	-0.2	-0.3
British Columbia	5.6	5.7	6.4	-0.1	-0.8

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TABLE 5

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,957.9	17,968.6	17,811.9	-10.7	146.0
Newfoundland & Labrador	230.3	227.2	232.3	3.1	-2.0
Prince Edward Island	75.0	74.9	73.7	0.1	1.3
Nova Scotia	449.1	450.4	451.2	-1.3	-2.1
New Brunswick	349.9	351.8	352.0	-1.9	-2.1
Quebec	4,036.4	4,016.8	4,061.6	19.6	-25.2
Ontario	6,960.2	6,994.1	6,907.1	-33.9	53.1
Manitoba	642.0	641.8	631.6	0.2	10.4
Saskatchewan	572.1	576.0	556.9	-3.9	15.2
Alberta	2,296.9	2,293.7	2,246.4	3.2	50.5
British Columbia	2,346.0	2,341.8	2,299.1	4.2	46.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	6.6	6.5	6.9	0.1	-0.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	10.7	12.0	12.0	-1.3	-1.3
Prince Edward Island	10.5	9.2	11.6	1.3	-1.1
Nova Scotia	8.8	8.6	8.9	0.2	-0.1
New Brunswick	9.6	9.3	9.7	0.3	-0.1
Quebec	7.6	7.7	7.3	-0.1	0.3
Ontario	7.0	6.5	7.3	0.5	-0.3
Manitoba	5.1	5.0	5.6	0.1	-0.5
Saskatchewan	3.4	3.5	4.1	-0.1	-0.7
Alberta	4.5	4.5	4.7	0.0	-0.2
British Columbia	5.8	6.1	6.7	-0.3	-0.9

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TABLE 6

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(3 Month Moving Average)

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADIAN CITIES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
St. John's	5.4	6.0	5.8	-0.6	-0.4
Halifax	5.8	5.9	6.4	-0.1	-0.6
Saint John	7.5	7.7	6.7	-0.2	0.8
Quebec	4.5	5.1	4.1	-0.6	0.4
Montreal	7.7	7.9	7.2	-0.2	0.5
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.9	6.7	5.8	-0.8	0.1
Greater Sudbury	5.1	5.8	6.0	-0.7	-0.9
Toronto	7.5	8.1	7.9	-0.6	-0.4
Winnipeg	5.3	6.2	5.6	-0.9	-0.3
Regina	2.9	3.1	3.8	-0.2	-0.9
Saskatoon	3.1	4.3	3.6	-1.2	-0.5
Calgary	4.1	4.7	4.4	-0.6	-0.3
Edmonton	4.9	5.3	4.7	-0.4	0.2
Vancouver	6.0	6.2	6.3	-0.2	-0.3
Victoria	4.7	5.3	4.3	-0.6	0.4
SASKATCHEWAN ECONOMIC REGIONS EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Regina-Moose Mountain	180.6	181.5	175.3	-0.9	5.3
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	52.5	53.1	51.3	-0.6	1.2
Saskatoon-Biggar	199.9	199.1	193.1	0.8	6.8
Yorkton-Melville	38.7	38.6	37.0	0.1	1.7
Prince Albert & Northern	101.2	102.2	98.1	-1.0	3.1

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

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TABLE 7

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER

(3 Month Moving Average)

	November 2014	October 2014	November 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
TOTAL POPULATION					
Labour Force ('000)	590.4	596.4	575.7	-6.0	14.7
Employed ('000)	572.8	574.3	555.4	-1.5	17.4
Unemployed ('000)	17.7	22.0	20.4	-4.3	-2.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.0	3.7	3.5	-0.7	-0.5
Participation Rate (%)	69.8	70.5	69.2	-0.7	0.6
Employment Rate (%)	67.7	67.9	66.8	-0.2	0.9
NON-ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	543.5	548.9	527.8	-5.4	15.7
Employed ('000)	530.1	531.7	512.5	-1.6	17.6
Unemployed ('000)	13.4	17.3	15.3	-3.9	-1.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.5	3.1	2.9	-0.6	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	70.4	71.2	69.6	-0.8	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	68.7	68.9	67.6	-0.2	1.1
ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	47.0	47.5	48.0	-0.5	-1.0
Employed ('000)	42.7	42.7	42.8	0.0	-0.1
Unemployed ('000)	4.3	4.8	5.1	-0.5	-0.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.1	10.0	10.7	-0.9	-1.6
Participation Rate (%)	63.3	64.1	65.9	-0.8	-2.6
Employment Rate (%)	57.5	57.6	58.8	-0.1	-1.3
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Labour Force ('000)	17.9	17.9	19.4	0.0	-1.5
Employed ('000)	15.3	14.9	16.3	0.4	-1.0
Unemployed ('000)	2.6	3.0	3.0	-0.4	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.7	16.7	15.7	-2.0	-1.0
Participation Rate (%)	54.8	54.8	60.5	0.0	-5.7
Employment Rate (%)	46.8	45.6	51.0	1.2	-4.2
MÉTIS					
Labour Force ('000)	29.0	29.4	28.6	-0.4	0.4
Employed ('000)	27.4	27.8	26.5	-0.4	0.9
Unemployed ('000)	1.6	1.7	2.1	-0.1	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.7	7.3	-0.2	-1.8
Participation Rate (%)	70.0	71.4	70.1	-1.4	-0.1
Employment Rate (%)	66.2	67.3	65.0	-1.1	1.2

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpretting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

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